

## CLAIMS

1        1. A method for facilitating use of the global positioning system (GPS),  
2        the method comprising the steps of:  
3                coupling a client device to a network and to a GPS device;  
4                using the client device to access a database through the network, the  
5        database containing the GPS coordinates that correspond to a plurality of locations;  
6                obtaining from the database the GPS coordinates corresponding to at  
7        least one location; and  
8                providing the GPS coordinates corresponding to the at least one  
9        location to the GPS device.

1        2. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of providing the GPS  
2        coordinates to the GPS device is performed automatically.

1        3. The method of claim 1, wherein the network is the Internet.  
1        4. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of accessing a database  
2        comprises the steps of:  
3                accessing a predefined web page through the client device, the  
4        predefined web page being coupled to the database; and  
5                accessing the database through the predefined web page.

1        5. The method of claim 4, wherein the step of accessing a predefined web  
2        page comprises the steps of:  
3                browsing to a particular location on the web through the client device;  
4                receiving in the client device a web page associated with the location,  
5        the web page including a link to the database; and  
6                displaying the web page associated with the location on a display  
7        associated with the client device.

1           6. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of accessing a database  
2 comprises the steps of:

3                 accessing an e-mail application through the client device, the e-mail  
4 application being coupled to the database; and

5                 accessing the database through the e-mail application.

1           7. The method of claim 6, wherein the step of accessing an e-mail  
2 application comprises the steps of:

3                 establishing communication between the client device and an e-mail  
4 server; and

5                 accessing the e-mail application through the e-mail server.

1           8. A system for facilitating use of the global positioning system (GPS),  
2 comprising:

3                 a client device coupled to a network and to a GPS device;

4                 a database coupled to the network through a server device, the database  
5 containing the GPS coordinates that correspond to a plurality of locations; and

6                 wherein the client device obtains from the database the GPS  
7 coordinates that correspond to a location and provides the coordinates to the GPS  
8 device.

1           9. The system of claim 8, wherein the GPS coordinates obtained from the  
2 database are provided to the GPS device automatically.

1           10. The system of claim 8, wherein the GPS device is part of the client  
2 device.

1           11. The system of claim 8, wherein the GPS device is located remotely  
2 from the client device.

1           12. The system of claim 8, wherein the client device is a personal computer  
2 (PC).

1           13. The system of claim 8, wherein the client device is a personal digital  
2           assistant (PDA).

1           14. The system of claim 8, wherein the client device is a cellular telephone.  
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1           15. A computer readable medium for facilitating use of the global  
2           positioning system (GPS), comprising:

3                 logic configured to couple a client device to a network and to a GPS  
4           device, to use the client device to access a database through the network, the database  
5           containing the GPS coordinates that correspond to a plurality of locations, to obtain  
6           from the database the GPS coordinates corresponding to at least one location, and to  
7           provide the GPS coordinates corresponding to at least one location to the GPS device.  
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1           16. The computer readable medium of claim 15, wherein the GPS  
2           coordinates corresponding to the at least one location are provided to the GPS device  
3           automatically.

1           17. The computer readable medium of claim 16, wherein the network is the  
2           Internet.

1           18. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the database is  
2           accessed by accessing a predefined web page that is coupled to the database.

1           19. The computer readable medium of claim 18, wherein the predefined  
2           web page is accessed by:

3                 logic in the client device configured to browse to a particular location  
4           on the web, to receive a web page associated with the location, the web page including  
5           a link to the database, and to display the web page associated with the location on a  
6           display associated with the client device.

1           20. The computer readable medium of claim 15, wherein the database is  
2 accessed by accessing an e-mail application that is coupled to the database.

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